



Kalamazoo County Fire Chiefs Association

Topic: Modern Fire Behavior: Bringing Science to the Street

Cost: **Free** – Fully funded by a 2019 MFFTC Grant

When: May 28, 29, 30 and June 3, 2019

Duration: 4 Hours (see below for details)



Chief Brian P. Kazmierzak will provide a firsthand look at the UL/NIST Modern Fire Behavior/Dynamics studies and show instructors how they can be delivered and instituted in their fire departments. Controversial to some so be prepared for some great discussion, but in the end, no one can argue with the numbers and the studies! Students will also be provided at the end of class with all materials necessary to deliver this at home! Fireground Tactics are some of the most debated & discussed items in our profession. They vary from department to department and even still district to district. This class will be full of energizing discussion on modern day tactics in staffing in today's fire environment.

- Fire Dynamics Overview
- Fire Attack & Your PPE
- Basement Fires
- Building Construction
- Transitional Attack
- Opinions and Facts
- Tactical Considerations & Critical Factors
- And MUCH MUCH MORE!

UNDERSTANDING MODERN FIRE BEHAVIOR IS AN AGGRESSIVE TACTIC! – ITS NOT JUST HIT IT HARD FROM THE YARDS AS THE KEYBOARD INCIDENT COMMANDERS SAY!

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Date	Location	Address	Time #1	Time #2	Time #3
May 28	Oshtemo Station 5-2	3500 South 6 th Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49009	0800-1200	1300-1700	1800-2200
May 29	Portage Station 12-1	7830 Shaver Road, Portage, MI 49002	0800-1200	1300-1700	1800-2200
May 30	Kalamazoo Township Station 8-4	1310 Nichols Road, Kalamazoo, MI 49006	0800-1200	1300-1700	1800-2200
June 3	Comstock Station 9-1	1960 River Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49048	0800-1200	1300-1700	1800-2200

Brian P. Kazmierzak, EFO, CTO has a bachelor's degree in fire service administration from Southern Illinois University and serves as the Director of Operations for www.FireFighterCloseCalls.com and the Webmaster for www.ModernFireBehavior.com. Brian was the recipient of the 2006 F.O.O.L.S. International Dana Hannon Instructor of the Year Award, the 2008 Indiana Fire Chiefs Training Officer of the Year Award Recipient and the 2011 ISFSI/FDIC George D. Post Fire Instructor of the Year. In addition, Brian completed the National Fire Academy's Executive Fire Officer Program in 2006 and is a CPSE credentialed Chief Training Officer. Brian was on the UL FSRI PPV Research Study Panel and the ISFSI/UL FSRI Basement Fire Tactics Study Panel. Brian has been a student of the fire service since 1991 and has taught and consulted for small departments as well as departments as well as the Chicago and Washington DC Fire Departments. Additionally, Brian serves as a subject matter expert for the NIOSH Firefighter Line of Duty Death program.